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SUBJ: STATUS OF MINISTRY OF DEFENSE APPROVAL OF SUMMIT

POL EXPORTS TO LAOS AND KHMER REPUBLIC

REF: VIENTIANE 2188

1. POL EXPORTS TO LAOS AND KHMER REPUBLIC BY OIL COMPANIES OTHER THAN SUMMIT CONTINUE TO PROCEED NORMALLY. HOWEVER, EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT AFTER MARCH 31 USG/LAOS REQUIREMENT TO BE SUPPLIED DIRECT FROM SINGAPORE WITH TRANSHIPMENT VIA THAILAND UNDER NEW CONTRACTS WITH SOURCE OTHER THAN SUMMIT (AS INDICATED REFTEL, CONFIRMATION ON THIS POINT NOT YET RECEIVED). ALSO UNDERSTAND SUMMIT HAS AGREED TO COMPLETE EVEN AFTER MARCH 31 OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS UNDER PRESENT USG/LAOS CONTRACTS.

2. EXCEPT FOR SUMMIT, RTG POL EXPORT APPROVAL PROCESS REMAINS UNCHANGED FROM THAT REPORTED IN PREVIOUS EMBASSY MESSAGES. RTG PERMIT FOR SUMMIT TO EXPORT HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED SINCE MARCH 16 DUE TO COMPLAINT OF RTG

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OIL FUEL ORGANIZATION (OFO) AGAINST SUMMIT FOR NOT FUL-

FILLING SUPPLY COMMITMENTS. ON MARCH 28 RTG OIL COMMITTEE WAS IN PROCESS ISSUING EXPORT APPROVAL TO SUMMIT WHEN A MEMBER WAS TOLD BY MINISTER OF COMMERCE PERSONALLY OF CABINET DECISION MARCH 26 THAT DIRECTED ALL FUTURE EXPORTS BY SUMMIT TO LAOS AND CAMBODIA RECEIVE PRIOR APPROVAL BY MINISTRY OF DEFENSE (MOD).

3. SUMMIT DEPUTY MANAGER SAYS HE EXPECTS SMOOTHE KPROCESS IN OBTAINING EXPORT APPROVALS IN FUTURE FROM MINISTRY DEFENSE THAN UNDER PREVIOUS PROCEDURES. HE HAS APPOINTMENT MOD LATE MARCH 29. EMBASSY ATTEMPTING TO EXPEDITE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE APPROVAL PROCEDURES, BUT RESOLUTION STILL UNCLEAR AS OF P.M. MARCH 29.  
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